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SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF GOA INVOLVEMENT IN ANTI-STROESSNER PLOT

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1. EMBASSY ELEMENTS HERE ARE UNABLE TO SUBSTANTIATE CHARGES THAT GOA WOULD BE EAGER TO GET RID OF STROESSNER BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE ADVERSE EFFECT THIS COULD HAVE ON ITAIPU PROJECT. FACT THAT MANY YOUNG PARAGUAYAN, URUGUAYAN AND CHILEAN RADICALS ATTEND LA PLATA UNIVERSITY WELL KNOWN HERE, BUT IN RECENT MONTHS GOA AS PART OF ANTI-TERRORIST CAMPAIGN HAS CRACKED DOWN HARD ON LA PLATA UNIVERSITY AND FOREIGN LEFTISTS IN GENERAL. INDEED, MANY OF THESE SUSPECTED LEFTISTS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED BY POLICE OR KILLED BY RIGHT-WING COUNTERTERRORIST ORGANIZATION--THE AAA. GIVEN THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO RID ITSELF OF TERRORISM AND GENERAL UNCERTAINTIES GOA WOULD FACE IF STROESSNER FORCIBLY REMOVED, IT UNLIKELY GOA WOULD TRADE STABLE, FRIENDLY PARAGUAY LED BY KNOWN QUANTITY SUCH AS STROESSNER FOR REGIME OF UNKNOWN CHARACTERISTICS, PARTICULARLY WHEN NOT AT ALL CLEAR THAT NEW REGIME WOULD ALTER TIMETABLE FOR ITAIPU PROJECT.

2. ARGENTINE MILITARY AS AN INSTITUTION IS WELL DISPOSED

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TOWARD STROESSNER AND UNLIKELY TO FAVOR ANY CHANGE IN

PARAGUAYAN POWER STRUCTURE.

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